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OF
THE MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION

HELD AT MAC HQ AREA, KOREA

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MEMBERS PRESENT

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND

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Meeting convened at 1100 hours

UNC:

Our side has called this meeting today to violently protest one of the most serious, willful and dangerous violations of the Armistice Agreement which your side ever committed.

At approximately 2100 hours, on 25 August, a combat patrol of your side crossed the Military Demarcation Line in the vicinity of marker 0681, near KUMHWA, (Maps of the area displayed) moved about 200 yards into the territory of our side, and made a sneak attack with many hand grenades against a civil police post of our side. In the attack, four personnel of our side's civil police were injured and one was murdered. After completing its murderous work, the patrol of your side withdrew north of the Military Demarcation Line at approximately 2145 hours.

✓ Here are some hand grenade fragments and grenade handles from the Russian-made grenades which your side used in this attack. (Fragments and handles were placed on the table) This unwarranted, premeditated, and treacherous attack was conducted under the cover of darkness by members of your puppet army against their brother Koreans and represents a most serious violation of the cease-fire provisions of the Armistice Agreement. It is apparent to everyone, including you, your superiors in PYONGYANG, and your foreign dictators that this deplorable act of open aggression by your side seriously undermines the cease-fire

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provisions of the Armistice Agreement. Unless immediate and positive corrective measures are taken by your side, these acts could produce grave consequences. Your side's hostile and murderous act is endangering the peace in Korea.

At the direction of the Commander-in-Chief of the United Nations Command, our side strongly protests this vicious and provocative attack by armed forces of your side against our civil police in the Demilitarized Zone and demands that your side comply with the spirit as well as the letter of the provisions of the Armistice Agreement by:

One: Conducting a thorough and honest investigation, without delay, into this attack.

Two: Punishing those individuals on your side involved in this outrageous crime.

Three: Establishing positive, effective, and lasting measures to prevent recurrence of such hostile acts which endanger the peace of Korea.

Four: Reporting to this commission, at the earliest possible date, your side's compliance with the provisions of the Armistice Agreement concerning this most serious violation and the corrective measures you have taken to prevent a recurrence.

You have murdered fellow Koreans. It must embarrass you to say that you speak for all Koreans here while your troops are busy murdering their brothers.

I now go to another most serious violation of the Armistice Agreement.

On the night of 27 August 1961, at about 2320 hours, a small naval vessel from your side was observed moving south along the East coast to the territory of our side, with the apparent intent of landing agents. The vessel proceeded into the waters contiguous to our territory where it was challenged and ordered to stop by a patrol vessel of our side. The vessel of your side failed to heed the order to stop and opened fire on the patrol vessel

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of our side, thereby disclosing its hostile and evil intent. The vessel of our side, when fired upon, returned fire in self defense.

This serious incident is the second in a series of hostile intrusions into the territory under the military control of our side within a period of one week. Our side strongly protests this and the other intrusions committed by your side. Your side is threatening to destroy the peace in Korea and thereby provoking a resumption of hostilities. Your foreign dictators and masters are arousing the peoples of southern Korea and the whole world by these acts of aggression which could produce grave consequences for your puppet regime.

We demand that immediate action be taken to investigate and punish those individuals of your side responsible for this latest hostile act, and that a report be submitted to the Military Armistice Commission, that such action has been taken.

Our side awaits your responsible reply to these serious violations of the Armistice Agreement.

KPA/CPV:

It is extremely ridiculous to hear the disturber of peace chatter as if he is concerned with peace.

If your side has the slightest concern for peace in Korea and her peaceful unification, it should cease the provocative hostilities incessantly perpetrated in the air, at sea and in the Demilitarized Zone, and withdraw from south Korea taking with you all the illegally introduced new-type weapons. This is a prerequisite to peace in Korea and her peaceful unification.

It is clearly shown by the records of the meetings of this commission that it is no other than your side that has incessantly committed provocative hostile actions against the other side, has stepped up preparations for another aggressive war, and thereby intensified tensions, in gross violation of the Armistice Agreement. Such criminal acts of your side were inexcusably

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demonstrated also at the 143rd meeting of this commission held some time ago.

In an attempt to avoid even slightly the denunciation of the peace-loving people of the whole world, however, you U.S. imperialist aggressors are also at today's meeting pouring forth preposterous charges against our side reversing right and wrong and are making your utmost efforts to conduct even anti-Communist propaganda which has no connection with the enforcement of the Armistice Agreement.

It is clear that in this way you intend to paralyze and then completely undermine the functions of the Military Armistice Commission which supervises the enforcement of the Armistice Agreement.

Our side never permits such breach of faith on your part and resolutely condemns it.

As to the incident you alleged to have occurred in the Demilitarized Zone, our side has no information about it yet. It is hardly believable that such incident should have been caused by our personnel who have always strictly observed all the provisions of the Armistice Agreement, acted prudently and observed strict discipline.

The articles you have just produced cannot serve as evidence of our involvement in the incident alleged by you to have occurred.

Being faithful to the letter and spirit of the Armistice Agreement, however, our side proposes that both components of Joint Observer Team No. 3 be dispatched to the scene of the incident to conduct a joint investigation with a view to dealing carefully with the incident brought up by your side.

I go on speaking of the sea incident of August 28, 1961, which has just been referred to by you,

Just as a thief crying for a thief, your side has slandered the opposing side distorting the fact. This is not the first

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occasion for your side to resort to such a shameless practice, but it is quite customary for your side. This is already well known to the world.

Whatever base actions and shameless crafts your side may have recourse to, however, it will neither cloak up the truth about your piracy nor shirk the responsibility for it.

Your side has taken a shrewd action with regard to the piracy committed by its personnel for fear that it should be laid bare to the world, but the true facts surrounding the incident are as follows:

On August 28, 1961, at approximately 0050 hours, destroyer escort No. 72 of your side made an inroad into the sea in the vicinity of 38 degrees 40 minutes North, 128 degrees 27 minutes East in the coastal waters of our side and fired as many as over 80 shells with cannons of various calibers including 76 mm. guns at our patrol boat which was then on routine patrol mission. Then it fled south departing from our coastal waters at 0105 hours on the same day.

Your destroyer escort No. 72 which illegally entered into the coastal waters of our side, assaulted and captured a small-size guard ship of our side, sinking it later and ruthlessly killing many of her crew members on July 30, just a year ago, has again recently intruded into the coastal waters of our side and perpetrated the provocative attack. This incident is exciting the greatest indignation of the entire Korean people.

In order to step up the preparations for another war, your side has introduced into south Korea various modern weapons including atomic weapons and guided missiles and launched them in succession, thereby intensifying further tensions, while sending its naval craft to intrude into the coastal waters of our side so as to perpetrate a provocative hostility which might cause serious consequences. All this is an overt machination to launch a new war of aggression.

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I lodge a strong protest with your side against the vicious, hostile act it has committed by dispatching its naval vessel into the coastal waters of our side again lately in violation of the Preamble and Paragraphs 12, 15, and 17 of the Armistice Agreement in disregard of the repeated warnings and protests from our side.

At the same time, I demand vigorously that your side cease at once the preparations of a new war frantically furthered by it, punish severely in accordance with Sub-paragraph 13e of the Armistice Agreement all of your personnel involved in the recent sea incident and take thorough steps to prevent the recurrence of similar provocations in the future.

UNC:

The prepared statement you have just read is a lie to cover your obvious guilt. Your absurd lies in answer to this serious charge will stand in the record as still another example of the insincerity, deplorable attitude, and insidious methods which have characterized your side's method of operation for more than eight years.

In spite of your side's obvious efforts to distort the facts and utter disregard for the truth in this matter, the facts remain that:

One: Your side organized and directed a combat patrol of your side to cross the Military Demarcation Line at about 2100 on 25 August 1961, and make a sneak and armed murderous attack against the Korean civil police post of our side. Your mobile attack was against a fixed post of our side located at the top of a steep hill and could not have been accidental.

Two: These civil police of our side were engaged in the peaceful pursuit of routine functions in compliance with the provisions of the Armistice Agreement governing the security of our portion of the Demilitarized Zone.

Three: This unprovoked and treacherous attack on fellow Koreans was a premeditated, well organized, and unwarranted

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violation of the cease-fire provisions of the Armistice Agreement. It was conducted well within our side's portion of the Demilitarized Zone under the cover of darkness.

Four: Your side's act of open aggression resulted in the wounding of four of our side's Korean police and the death of another.

Five: Your side's aggressor patrol withdrew to the north of the Military Demarcation Line at about 2145 hours, 25 August 1961, while your side's loudspeakers falsely accused our side of creating the incident. This fact and the fact that our side's civil police were surprised by your side's sneak attack, provides conclusive proof that your side planned and directed the entire incident.

It is obvious from your remarks that you have been completely misinformed on the true situation, or as you said, you are not aware of the true facts.

I will once again repeat my demands that your side conduct an honest and complete investigation into this incident, punish the individuals responsible for this aggressive war-like act, institute positive measures to prevent recurrence of this and similar incidents, and report your responsible actions in this matter to this commission in compliance with the provisions of the Armistice Agreement.

✓ Your continued denial of this serious violation will further condemn your superiors in PYONGYANG and your Russian and Chinese Colonial masters who have directed your side to falsely deny every single violation of the Armistice Agreement your side has committed in the past 7½ years.

We accept your proposal for a meeting of the Joint Observer Team to investigate this violation of the Armistice Agreement made in your attack against the civil police post in the southern portion of the Demilitarized Zone, on condition that your side permit Joint Observer Teams to inspect the civil police post

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in your portion in the Demilitarized Zone from which this sneak attack was launched and which is located directly opposite our position in the Demilitarized Zone.

I further propose that the details of the investigation be worked out by the Senior Member of Joint Observer Team from each side.

Your denouncement of the hostile naval intrusion against our side without even the simple formalities of an investigation clearly shows your aggressive intentions to destroy the peace in Korea.

Your Russian and Red Chinese dictators speak of peace, but your actions clearly reveal the provocative nature of your intentions. Stop these aggressive acts or suffer the serious consequences. The United Nations Command stands ready to meet these hostile acts of aggression.

Our side repeats its demands that immediate action be taken to investigate and punish those individuals responsible for the hostile naval intrusion, and that a report be made to the Military Armistice Commission that proper action has been taken.

I await your responsible reply.

I go to another subject.

Our side charges your side with a gross and serious violation of our side's territory and air space in direct violation of the Armistice Agreement.

During the period 14 through 21 August, a large number of balloons containing many leaflets, fell into the Demilitarized Zone in the territory under the military control of our side. The balloons were first observed floating from northern Korea, then crossing the Demilitarized Zone and landing in the territory under the control of our side. The balloons were manufactured in Russia and the propaganda leaflets carried by the balloons were printed in northern Korea. You are reminded that air space violations are hostile and provocative, and could

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lead to serious consequences.

Under the provisions of the Armistice Agreement, the United Nations Command charges your side with violations of Paragraph 6 and 17 of the Armistice Agreement, committing hostile acts against the military personnel of our side, and increasing war tensions in Korea. The United Nations Command lodges a most serious protest against these violations of the Armistice Agreement.

Your side's childish and provocative acts are exposed for all to see. Here is the balloon and leaflets which your side dispatched into our side. (The balloon and leaflets were placed on the table)

This made-in-Russia balloon, as well as your recent military pact with Russia, again proves the facts our side stated at a recent meeting here:

Northern Korea's Puppet Regime, which is unrecognized by the free and decent nations of the world, is nothing but a lackey of the Russians and Chinese Communists. The northern Korean representatives here have no voice of their own and no authority to truly negotiate. You aren't allowed to admit violations or to tell the truth.

North Korea's weapons and munitions are provided by Russia and your aggressive and hostile acts and war preparations are directed by these same communist masters.

Your side floods Asia with talks of peace while, at the same time, you prepare for war and commit deliberate hostile acts in violation of the Armistice Agreement.

Your side's dishonesty and flagrant disregard for the truth is clearly evident in your denial of every single Armistice violation we have charged you with in the past 7½ years. You have lied about 1,062 violations and admitted only two since the Armistice was signed.

Now, it will be interesting to everyone here to see if you

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will deny the existence of this balloon and these leaflets and the fact that your side has been launching balloons across the Demilitarized Zone into southern Korea.

We charge you with another Armistice violation and await your response.

Our side has a new subject.

At the 119th meeting of the Military Armistice Commission and again at the 143rd, our side answered your side's charges of fortifications in the Demilitarized Zone by challenging your side to agree to dispatch Joint Observer Teams to all areas in the Demilitarized Zone alleged by each side to be fortified. Your side, by its refusal to accept this logical proposal, admitted that it has constructed fortifications in the northern portion of the Demilitarized Zone. You are attempting to cover up your illegal activities by falsely accusing our side of these same acts.

Now that you have had ample time to discuss our proposal with your authorities, our side again challenges your side to agree to Joint Observer Team inspections of alleged fortifications on both sides of the Demilitarized Zone. Our side has nothing to hide, in spite of your lengthy accusations.

If you do not accept our proposal, which will certainly make it clear to the world that our side has no illegal fortifications and nothing to hide in the Demilitarized Zone, you are admitting that your side has these fortifications.

We have charged you with these illegal activities countless times.

What is your response? Do you accept mutual inspection or have you illegal fortifications in the Demilitarized Zone to hide?

KPA/CPV:

You are foolishly trying again at today's meeting to use the Military Armistice Commission as a forum for the anti-Communist propaganda of the U.S. imperialists.

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It is already known to everyone that you did not start using the Military Armistice Commission as a forum for anti-Communist propaganda yesterday or today and that this was not started by you, but it stems from the established policy of the U.S. imperialist aggressors toward the Korean Military Armistice Commission.

Needless to recount examples of remote past one by one, let me cite a few examples which took place in recent years.

At the 100th meeting of this Commission, your side uttered malicious slanders with regard to the Tibetan problem of the People's Republic of China which had no connection with the Korean question at all.

In which term of the Armistice Agreement are there such provisions that allow you to interfere in the internal affairs of other countries at the Military Armistice Commission meetings?

And at the 102nd meeting of this Commission your side brought up the matter of the people's commune in China to pour forth malignant slanders.

What connection is there between the Korean Armistice Agreement and the people's commune in China?

Here is another example.

At the 104th meeting of this Commission your side piled up unscrupulous slanders against Marxism-Leninism.

It is clear why you should criticize Marxism-Leninism so bitterly.

It is because Marxism-Leninism is a great ideology and the most progressive theory that liberates oppressed peoples and brings new hope and light for all mankind quite in contrast to the aggressive ideology of you U.S. imperialists.

But the Armistice Agreement does not invest you with any right to disparage Marxism-Leninism.

Furthermore, at the 132nd and 133rd meetings of this Commission your side leveled malicious charges even at the German Democratic Republic and Hungary which are thousands of

ri (one ri-4km) away from Korea.

Why did you level those slanderous charges even at the German Democratic Republic and Hungary at this Commission which is not an organization to discuss international questions?

Even now, dare you say that all this is not anti-Communist propaganda?

The records of the meetings of the Military Armistice Commission show that no meeting was conducted without any anti-Communist propaganda made by your side. Thus, you have defamed the social system of the socialist countries such as, in the first place, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, then the People's Republic of China, the Soviet Union, Hungary, Poland, the German Democratic Republic, and others as well as the socialist camp, and leveled malicious slanders even at Marxism-Leninism as I mentioned above.

What contribution has your side ever made with all these anti-Communist propaganda to the work of this Commission which supervises the enforcement of the Armistice Agreement.

Next, let us examine your behavior since you stated, QUOTE Our side will not use these meetings as a propaganda forum. Our side will not present subjects which do not relate to the Armistice Agreement. UNQUOTE

From the very first day when you attended this Commission meeting, you have consistently regarded it as your basic function to argue against the status of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and used your malicious tongue even against the flag of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea at the 143rd meeting held some time ago.

Will you give me your answer to the following question?

Is there any connection between the status of a sovereign state and the enforcement of the Armistice Agreement?

And isn't it anti-Communist propaganda to level slanders at the flag of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea?

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Thus, you made anti-Communist propaganda behind the screen of your false pretense that you do not conduct propaganda and slandered the social systems of other countries and interfered in their internal affairs under the false pretense that you do not present subjects which have no relations to the Armistice Agreement.

This is the same technique that you U.S. imperialist aggressors are committing aggression against Korea by usurping the United Nations flag.

You should know that you cannot block by any vicious anti-Communist propaganda the march of the socialist countries ever prospering and developing in accordance with the laws of social development.

We are not at all unaware why you have been thus bent on making anti-Communist propaganda at this Commission meetings.

Such ill-advised actions of yours are aimed:

One: To explain yourselves even slightly for the shameful position of you U.S. imperialists who suffered a miserable defeat at the hands of the heroic Korean people and their armed forces the Korean People's Army in the three odd year long Korean war unleashed by the 16 armed invaders headed by the U.S. imperialist aggressors;

Two: To paralyze the consciousness of the south Korean people struggling against the U.S. imperialists and their stooges, and divert their attention elsewhere;

Three: To try to justify your evil scheme for another war frantically furthered in south Korea at present;

Four: To cover up your reinforcement of the armed force and your provocative hostilities ceaselessly committed on the ground, on the sea and in the air;

Five: To paralyze and then undermine the functions of the Military Armistice Commission.

I lodge a strong protest against your using this Commission

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as a forum for anti-Communist propaganda with a view to achieving sinister military and political objectives, and once again demand you to stop at once anti-Communist propaganda which obstructs the exact enforcement of the Armistice Agreement.

You should behave yourselves sensibly, desisting from the aggressive provocations you are committing everywhere in the world, instead of unscrupulously slandering and charging our side in connection with the Treaties of Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance between Korea and the Soviet Union and between Korea and China.

If you U.S. imperialist aggressors should resort to the reckless pranks of playing with fire without taking into consideration the development of objective reality, you will certainly end your existence on earth forever.

The issue depends upon the action to be taken by you U.S. imperialist aggressors.

It seems that you have great interest in the word puppet. Now I tell you a real puppet with which you will be satisfied. QUOTE.....After half a dozen interviews with the 44-year old PARK CHUNG HEE, U.S. Ambassador SAMUEL D. BERGER persuaded the man to SUBQUOTE liberalize SUBUNQUOTE his regime.

At BERGER's urging, PARK released Lieutenant General LEE HAN LIM, the Korean First Army Commander, who had refused to support PARK. PARK also granted amnesty to 15,000 prisoners and eased up on censorship. UNQUOTE

This is a part of an article appeared in the international column of the U.S. magazine Newsweek dated August 28, 1961.

The real puppets are such a clique as the south Korean regime under your occupation whose state system is affected and social order maintained upon orders and instructions by an ambassador of their suzerain state.

I recommend you to behave yourself a bit more.

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Your charge concerning the so-called incident alleged by you to have occurred in the Demilitarized Zone has no ground at all and is a preposterous one.

I resolutely denounce your improper attitude of leveling absurd charges before establishing the incident through a joint investigation.

I note that you have agreed to our proposal to conduct a joint investigation into the so-called incident alleged by your side to have occurred.

What our side has to point out to your side is that the joint investigation must be conducted on the scene of the incident alleged by your side to have occurred since it has allegedly occurred in your portion of the Demilitarized Zone.

In south Korea, occupied by the U.S. imperialists, where tragic deaths occur every moment and spiteful wails are heard unceasingly, the people are fighting for freedom, happiness and their right to existence. They will certainly drive the occupationists out of their land and win their freedom and independence far from limiting their struggle to scattering handbills.

I categorically deny your preposterous charge that our side scattered QUOTE leaflets. UNQUOTE

It is a foolish behavior just as one tries to intercept the sun's rays with one's palm for you to attempt to cover up your violations of the Armistice Agreement by distorting the truth about the criminal act that the naval craft of your side intruded into the coastal waters of our side and attacked our vessels and by removing the scene of the incident to a place favorable for inventing your excuse.

I tell you clearly once again that the spot where the naval vessel of your side illegally intruded was located in the coastal waters of our side in the vicinity of 38 degrees 40 minutes North, 128 degrees 27 minutes East, 3.5 miles away from an extension of the Military Demarcation Line and 4 miles away

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from the coast of our side.

Unless you intend to take things upside down, how can you allege that the location of the above mentioned coordinate where the naval craft of your side entered under cover of darkness with a hostile intent is in the coastal waters of your side?

I once again demand that your side stop such a despicable attempt as well as its scheme for another war; that your side punish severely your personnel involved in the recent incident; and that your side take responsible steps to prevent the recurrence of similar hostilities in the future.

UNC:

Acceptance of the proposal to conduct an investigation by the Joint Observer Team Number 3 also includes acceptance to investigate the position of your side which is located directly across from the civil police post of our side and from which the attack against our fixed position was launched. Do you accept this proposal? If so the details can be worked out by the Senior Members of the Joint Observer Team number 3.

We await your reply.

Your side speaks of the United Nations Command using the MAC meetings for purposes of propaganda! How ridiculous. Your side is frantically avoiding giving a responsible answer to the charges our side has made by referring back to meetings two years ago. What responsible answer are these to the charges that we have made against your side here today? Get back on the subjects which our side has charged your side with at this meeting and save your propaganda for your PYONGYANG radio broadcasts.

I now go to the 5th serious violation of the Armistice Agreement committed by your side.

At many of the meetings of the Military Armistice Commission including those of the Secretaries' your side

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charges the United Nations Command with dispatching agents into the territory under the military control of your side. Your side has called 3 meetings of the Joint Observer Teams in the past year to investigate alleged spies and agents supposedly apprehended in the northern half of the Demilitarized Zone. In each instance, you have attempted to prove by fabrication and fiction that our side sends agents to the north. Your charges are ridiculous! The true facts do not support your lies.

I have before me, a report which reveals an entirely different story. This report shows that it is your side that has dispatched a large number of espionage agents into the Republic of Korea. Since the first of this year a considerable number have been captured. Let me read the names of just a few of these communist spies who have been apprehended in southern Korea recently.

- (1) KO HYON KU
- (2) KIM CHANG SOK
- (3) PAK HAN SON
- (4) IM CHA CHONG
- (5) IM TAI CHONG
- (6) MIN WON KI
- (7) SHIN MAING SOP
- (8) CHO HI CHOL
- (9) KIM CHYN SHIK
- (10) KIM YONG SOK

Here are some of the facts concerning these agents:

KO HYON KU and PAK HAN SON left PYONGYANG on 8 March 1961, crossed the Military Demarcation Line at about 1800 hours, 10 March 1961, and were apprehended on 11 March 1961. These agents were directed to launch anti-American propaganda in southern Korea and return to northern Korea after a month's stay.

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IM CHA CHONG left PYONGYANG by train for a landing beach southwest of KAESONG where he boarded a fishing boat. Landing at INCHON he made his way to PUSAN where he was captured. This agent was directed to obtain military and political secrets and send them back to PYONGYANG. When he was captured, he had \$28,500 and 800,000 Hwan in currency in his possession.

MIN WON KI alias LEE TAI RYONG left PYONGYANG by train for WONSAN where he departed by boat for southern Korea. He, too, was arrested at PUSAN.

These are but three cases out of hundreds in which espionage agents have been dispatched by your side to the Republic of Korea to conduct illegal operations. All of these agents were trained by your communist controlled northern Korean puppet government.

Since your side has signed the Armistice Agreement officials in southern Korea have captured over 1800 of your espionage agents.

The world is well aware that communists employ spies to spy on other spies, to spy on peoples under their control, and to spy on citizens of other countries.

The United Nations Command charges your side with conducting a continuous espionage program in southern Korea and with introducing agents almost daily. A recent example of an unsuccessful attempt was the naval intrusion last Sunday night which our side charged you with earlier today.

KPA/CPV:

It has been indisputably substantiated by the statement I have just made who is using this Commission as a forum of anti-Communist propaganda.

Your charge is nothing but a ruse solely designed to extricate yourself from your awkward position.

This figure of 1,800 your side always recites is obviously miscalculated.

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Because every Korean excepting the stooges of the U.S. imperialists is opposing the U.S. imperialists and their puppets and demanding the peaceful unification of the country.

Therefore, the number 1,800 you are reciting should be replaced by the number 30 million.

As is clear to everybody, if both sides intend to conduct a joint investigation into the alleged incident, they should proceed to the spot of the incident to make the investigation.

You have spoken of an investigation into our post which has nothing to do with the alleged incident. This practically amounts to your rejection of the joint investigation proposed by our side and this clearly testifies that you are pursuing some ulterior military and political objectives that you want to hide.

I ask you:

Do you agree to my proposal that Joint Observer Teams be dispatched to the scene of the incident alleged by your side to have occurred in your portion of the Demilitarized Zone to conduct a joint investigation?

Make an answer!

UNC:

You are obviously afraid to have Joint Observer Teams inspect your side of the Demilitarized Zone. Why not respond to our fair and reasonable proposal for inspections if you have nothing to hide?

Concerning your side's premeditated attack on our guard post, it is incredible to believe that your side is not fully aware of this incident for the following reasons:

One: The attack by your side's patrol against our side's police post was obviously a deliberate and well organized combat action which had been planned in advance.

Two: The fact that your side unleashed a propaganda blast against our side within minutes of the sneak attack by

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your side's patrol is additional evidence that the attack was pre-planned.

However, since you have implied that your armed forces have failed to keep you informed on this situation, our side will reserve further comment until after an investigation.

Our side notes and condemns your false denial of the naval incident, and your violation of our air space with propaganda balloons and your denial of espionage activities we charged you with here today.

We have nothing further for this meeting. I therefore propose that we recess.

KPA/CPV:

Why can't you agree to our proposal to proceed to your portion of the Demilitarized Zone, to the scene of the incident alleged by your side, to conduct a joint investigation?

It is expressly prescribed in Paragraph 27 of the Armistice Agreement that QUOTE the Military Armistice Commission, or the Senior Member of either side thereof, is authorized to dispatch Joint Observer Teams to investigate violations of this Armistice Agreement reported to have occurred in the Demilitarized Zone or in the Han River Estuary. UNQUOTE

I have already proposed to your side, as is required by the Armistice Agreement, that a Joint Observer Team be dispatched to the spot of the incident to conduct a joint investigation in order to deal with your allegation carefully since it was alleged by your side.

Your side has, however, rejected this just proposal of ours on a preposterous pretext.

If your charges were true, could there be any reason for you not to agree to my proposal that a joint investigation be conducted into the alleged incident? Of course, none.

Judging from your conduct, it is obvious that your side fabricated the charges with the sole objective of slandering our

side or that you have attempted to associate with our side a dog-fight which took place within the ranks of your side.

The mission at this commission is not to deal with any incidents fabricated by your side nor is it to handle any dog-fights which took place within the ranks of your side.

It seems to me that you are attempting to achieve some ulterior sinister purpose by casting unfounded slanders. But it is the height of folly for you to do so.

The only truth which can be found in your allegation is that all your charges are downright lies which have no factual basis whatsoever. That is, your allegations are not worth a farthing deserving any discussion at this Commission.

What do you say to my suggestion that you had better give up your futile attempts and show up the foul inside facts as they are?

Honest-minded people value facts rather than your lies.

I categorically deny your absurd charges and at the same time, demand that you desist forthwith from such despicable conduct as to fabricate a groundless incident to slander our side with a view to covering up its act of wrecking the Armistice Agreement and to creating an atmosphere necessary for intensifying your preparations for another war.

I go to another subject.

At the last 143rd Military Armistice Commission meeting, our side lodged serious protests against the criminal acts of your side which has been illegally occupying south Korea and has been running amuck in preparations for another war, successively firing guided missiles illegally introduced by you U.S. imperialist aggressors in flagrant violation of Subparagraph 13d of the Armistice Agreement, bringing into south Korea from the United States a third battle group which underwent special training and, armed with up-to-date weapons, constructing military roads for mobile operations in the Demilitarized Zone mobilizing a large

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number of personnel and equipment, and demanded your side to stop such acts immediately.

As I have already mentioned, this demand of ours is not only a most pressing and just one in ensuring a strict implementation of the Armistice Agreement and maintaining peace and security in Korea and the Far East but also fully accords with the desire of the entire Korean people and the peace-loving people all over the world.

This notwithstanding, you were only engrossed at that meeting in making anti-Communist propaganda which was the main course of action, established policy of your side, declined to comply with our demands deviating from your own functions under the Armistice Agreement and your side has actively been making preparations for another war while keeping on the criminal act of firing guided missiles and the construction work of military roads for mobile operations.

Besides, your side has been openly agitating for war in south Korea while pressing youth and students into service, intensifying their military trainings with a view to securing cannon-fodder of the U.S. imperialists. Particularly, your side has been forcibly inducting thousands of college students into reserve divisions of the south Korean puppet army.

What is more, your side has recently made vicious attacks against our side more frequently on the ground and at sea and dispatched a large number of armed espionage agents into the territory of our side. Such active maneuvers of your side designed to provoke another war have further increased the danger which might lead to a war.

Thus, a dangerous situation which reminds us of the eve of the June 1950 incident has been created in south Korea today.

I now dwell on the vicious attacks committed by your side. Again recently in the field, three personnel of your side carried machine guns in the vicinity of 38 degrees 17 minutes 50 seconds North, 127 degrees 28 minutes 25 seconds East in your portion of the Demilitarized Zone at about 1810 hours on August 25, 1961.

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And around 1820 hours on the same day, four personnel of your side who were in your portion of the Demilitarized Zone in the vicinity of 38 degrees 17 minutes 45 seconds North, 127 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds East carried a machine gun and two carbines.

Some time later, namely, at 1930 hours, your personnel fired more than 200 shots with machine guns and carbines toward our side from the aforesaid two spots.

The bullets fired by your personnel fell over the general area of our side ranging from the vicinity of 38 degrees 18 minutes 50 seconds North, 127 degrees 28 minutes 50 seconds East to the vicinity of 38 degrees 18 minutes 25 seconds North, 127 degrees 29 minutes 05 seconds East.

At 2015 hours, namely, 45 minutes after that, your personnel again fired more than 200 bullets including tracer shells toward the general area of our side approximately between 38 degrees 18 minutes 40 seconds North, 127 degrees 29 minutes 05 seconds East and 38 degrees 18 minutes 20 seconds North, 127 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East.

And at 2040 hours, that is, 25 minutes later, your personnel again fired more than 100 shots including tracer shells toward the above-mentioned area of our side from the above spot.

As mentioned above, your side committed in succession serious hostile acts of firing 500 odd shots in all with machine guns and carbines toward our side on three occasions in a very short space of time.

Such provocative acts were committed one after another not only on the ground but also at sea.

Around 2050 hours on August 17, 1961, your sub-chaser No. 705 intruded into the sea in the vicinity of 38 degrees 38 minutes North, 128 degrees 24 minutes East in our coastal waters and committed bombardment toward BAIBAU, 38 degrees 39 minutes North, 128 degrees 28 minutes East, an offshore island of our side.

And, as I have already pointed out, around 0050 hours on

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August 28, 1961 your destroyer escort No. 72 intruded into the sea in the vicinity of 38 degrees 40 minutes North, 128 degrees 27 minutes East in our coastal waters, committed such criminal acts as to fire more than 80 odd shells with guns of various calibers including 76mm guns at our vessel which was then on routine guard duty in the nearby waters, and leaving our coastal waters around 0105 hours, fled to the south.

It goes without saying that all these provocative hostile acts committed by your side on the ground, and at the sea constitute the criminal acts of preventing our guards on the sea and our civil police from carrying out their routine duty and of endangering their lives which can never be tolerated, and that they are extremely dangerous pranks of toying with fire which might entail uncontrollable, serious consequences.

As you are well aware, an ample illustration of this can be furnished by the historical fact that a shot in the city of SARAJEVO plunged the whole mankind into the tragic conflagration of World War I.

Just think!

If our personnel had not faced your side's provocation in a restrained and prudent manner but had taken counter measures against them as is usually the case, it is not hard to imagine what consequences would have ensued, is it?

Today I once again strongly declare that in case your side continues such reckless pranks of toying with fire in disregard of our warning made on several occasions, your side should bear the full responsibilities for all the consequences arising therefrom.

Today the entire Korean people and the peoples of the whole world, closely watching the dangerous pranks of your side toying with fire which have become more frequent of late, are denouncing them with deep indignation and are raising unanimous voices of protest against them.

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I lodge a strong protest with your side against the vicious attack committed again recently against our side both in the Demilitarized Zone and on the sea in violation of the Preamble of the Armistice Agreement and Paragraphs 1, 6, 12, 14, 15, and 17 thereof as well as against the successive firings of guided missiles, the bringing into south Korea of another battle group and the construction of military roads which is continuing in the Demilitarized Zone, all of which are carried on in frantic preparations of a new war.

At the same time, I demand your side:

One: To immediately stop the firing of guided missiles which is now going on;

Two: To ship out of Korea immediately all new type weapons and manpower illegally introduced and report thereon to the Military Armistice Commission and the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission;

Three: To immediately retract the illegal announcement on the unilateral abrogation of Sub-paragraph 13d of the Armistice Agreement;

Four: To immediately destroy the military roads for mobile operations constructed in the Demilitarized Zone;

Five: To stop firings of guns and rifles in the Demilitarized Zone;

Six: To stop committing vicious attacks at sea; and

Seven: To punish all of your personnel who again recently committed aggressive acts against our side.

I await your responsible reply pledging yourself to comply with these demands of our side.

✓ UNC:

Our side will investigate and fairly report on these incidents you charge now.

Our side accepted your proposal to have Joint Observer Teams investigate this incident - you refused to accept our offer that

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teams inspect both posts involved in the incident.

You rejected our proposal that Joint Observer Teams inspect all alleged fortifications in the Demilitarized Zone. Your side obviously has something to hide.

The rest of your remarks now are the same worn out propaganda your side has put out here this past year.

It is our side that has charged your side with the murderous attack on the civil police post of our side. Your side stated it had no knowledge of the incident. Since you say you have no knowledge, I suggest you investigate and determine the facts and give us a responsible answer and stop your stupid slander and your propaganda tirade!

Your side continues to state that it abides by the Armistice Agreement. The Armistice Agreement states that each side will investigate charges. This is your opportunity to show good faith. Our side has demanded that your side conduct an investigation.

You seem to know the exact number of rounds fired around the post that was attacked yet you deny knowledge of the attack. How ridiculous!

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I have noted your statement that investigations will be made into the violations of the Armistice Agreement committed by the personnel of your side.

You have rejected our proposal that a joint investigation be conducted into the incident alleged by your side to have occurred in your portion of the Demilitarized Zone.

You have leveled vicious charges at our side alleging that a grave incident was caused by our side, while rejecting our proposal to conduct a joint investigation into the alleged incident.

It is irrefutably demonstrated that you have called today's meeting for the sole purpose of piling up slanders and defamations against our side.

It is clearly evident by your persisting in rejecting the

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joint investigation that if such accident actually occurred as you have stated, it may be another case of manslaughter committed by you U.S. imperialist aggressors to achieve your sinister military and political objectives, or it may be an incident resulting from a scuffle due to mutual friction which is an everyday occurrence within the south Korean puppet army.

Nevertheless, your side has leveled malicious charges at our side by distorting facts and reversing right and wrong.

Of course this is not the first time for your side to resort to such a mean behavior but it is a usual practice your side repeats for the purpose of misleading fair public opinion whenever it commits criminal acts to attain some ulterior objectives.

Also in July 1960, your side proposed a joint investigation by the Joint Observer Teams alleging that our side had committed QUOTE violations UNQUOTE of the Armistice Agreement, but later withdrew the Joint Observer Team meeting proposed by itself in fear of the revelation of the true facts of your fraud. Then at the 211th Secretaries' meeting it shamelessly tried to shift its responsibility for the accident which occurred in its own ranks onto our side as it has done today.

Here is just one more example of the most recent occurrence.

At the meeting of Joint Observer Team No. 5 held on July 10, 1961, your side proposed to conduct a joint investigation into the incident of the bombardment from your warships already condemned by our side without any consideration of the mission entrusted by the Military Armistice Commission in an attempt to extricate itself even slightly from the embarrassing position resulting from the true facts of its espionage and subversive activities having been exposed thoroughly.

When our side agreed to this, however, your side again brazenfacedly withdrew its own proposal.

As can be seen above, it is true that a joint investigation disclosing the truth about the criminal acts is most fearful to a criminal.

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This is why your side has again this time rejected to undertake a joint investigation into the incident alleged by itself.

Whatever invectives you may pour upon our side at this time when the true facts of your intolerable fraud have been laid bare in all their nakedness, you cannot defame our side which is consistently faithful towards the Armistice Agreement nor can you mislead fair public opinion.

I resolutely condemn your side for its improper attitude of slandering our side using a matter which has no connection with our side and strongly demand that your side withdraw at once the unscrupulous charges you have cast against our side at today's meeting and apologize to our side for them.

UNC:

We made our position on your side's five gross violations of the Armistice Agreement quite clear in English, Korean, and Chinese.

What else do you have to say?

KPA/CPV:

All actions you have taken at today's meeting once again vividly show how insincere your side is in the implementation of the Armistice Agreement and how frantically it is running wild to prepare for another war.

Your side should give up its indiscreet attempt and stop firings of the illegally introduced guided missiles and various provocative hostilities perpetrated as part of its machination for another war; it should also cease immediately its criminal act of paralyzing the functions of the Military Armistice Commission by using it as a forum for anti-Communist propaganda.

I warn you again that if your side continues its criminal acts without paying due attention to our timely warnings, it should bear the full responsibility for all consequences arising therefrom.

I agree to your proposal to recess.

Meeting recessed at 1437 hours

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